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1. On 14 September 1950, a conference was held at MIAM by Neumann, director of DATA-Metall, attended by Erbon, former DDR trade attaché in Warsaw and now head of DEAG, and a number of senior MIAM officials.

the iron and steel and general metal situation within the DDR had become more critical than ever before, and the time had come for decisive action. The present situation was as follows:

Backlog in reparations commitments to 31 December 1949 160,000 tons
Backlog in reparations commitments 1 January 1950 to 30 June 1950 23,000 tons

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Backlog in commitments under trade agreements and contracts
to 31 December 1949

78,000 tons

Backlog in commitments under trade agreements and contracts
1 January 1950 to 30 June 1950

32,000 tons

Current DEAG requirements

23,500 tons

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